## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In re the matter of Trademark Application

Serial No. : 76/418739

Publication Date : February 3, 2004

Mark : MACUVITE

Applicant.

Bausch & Lomb Incorporated

Opposer,

Opposition No.: 91161619

Vs.

ANSWER TO NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

National Vitamin Company, Inc.)

National Vitamin Company, Inc. responds to the Notice Of Opposition of Bausch & Lomb Incorporated as follows:

- 1. Answering paragraph 1 of the Notice of Opposition, applicant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and, on that basis, denies each and every allegation contained therein.
- 2. Answering paragraph 2 of the Notice of Opposition, applicant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said

paragraph, and on that basis, denies each and every allegation contained therein.

- 3. Answering paragraph 3 of the Notice of Opposition, applicant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and, on that basis, denies each and every allegation contained therein.
- 4. Answering paragraph 4 of the Notice of Opposition, applicant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and, on that basis, denies each and every allegation contained therein.
- 5. Answering paragraph 5 of the Notice of Opposition, applicant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph and, on that basis, denies each and every allegation contained therein.
- 6. Answering paragraph 6 of the Notice of Opposition, applicant admits said allegations.
- 7. Answering paragraph 7 of the Notice of Opposition, applicant admits said allegations.
- 8. Answering paragraph 8 of the Notice of Opposition, applicant denies said allegations.
- 9. Answering paragraph 9 of the Notice of Opposition, applicant denies said allegations.

WHEREFORE, applicant prays that said opposition be rejected and dismissed and that applicant's registration be issued thereupon to applicant.

Dated: September 13, 2004

LERNER & VEIT, P.C.

By:

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September 13, 2004

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I further certify that a copy of the attached Answer To Notice Of Opposition has been served this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2004 by first class mail, postage prepaid, on Opposer's representative:

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## VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Commissioner for Trademarks 2900 Crystal Drive Arlington VA 22202-3514

Re: Mark: MACUVITE

Serial No.: 76/418739 Opposition No.: 91161619 Our File No.: 2189.151

Dear Commissioner:

Enclosed is an original and a copy of National Vitamin Company, Inc.'s Answer to Notice of Opposition and a self addressed stamped envelope.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

LERNER & VEIT, P.C.

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Russell F. Rowen

RFR/mn Enclosures

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